

CHARTER
UNITED STATES STRATEGIC COMMAND STRATEGIC ADVISORY GROUP

1. Committee's Official Designation: The Committee shall be known as the United States Strategic Command Strategic Advisory Group (hereafter referred to as "the Group").
2. Authority: The Secretary of Defense, under the provision of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix) and 41 CFR § 102-3.50(d) (agency authority), established the Group.
3. Objectives and Scope of Activities: The Group shall provide independent advice and recommendations related to U.S. Strategic Command and its operations, as set out in (4) below.
4. Description of Duties: The Group shall provide the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Commander of the U.S. Strategic Command independent advice and recommendations on scientific, technical, intelligence, and policy-related matters of interest to the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the U.S. Strategic Command concerning the development and implementation of the Nation's strategic war plans. The Group shall provide independent advice and recommendations regarding enhancements in mission area responsibilities. The Group shall further provide independent advice and recommendations on other matters related to the Nation's strategic forces, as requested by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff or the Commander of the U.S. Strategic Command.
5. Agency or Official to Whom the Committee Reports: The Group shall report to the Secretary of Defense, through the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Commander U.S. Strategic Command. The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff may act upon the Group's advice and recommendations.
6. Support: The Department of Defense, through the U.S. Strategic Command, shall provide support as deemed necessary for the Group's performance, and shall ensure compliance with the requirements of the FACA and the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. § 552b) (hereafter referred to as "the Government in the Sunshine Act"), governing Federal statutes and regulations, and governing DoD policies/procedures.
7. Estimated Annual Operating Costs and Staff Years: It is estimated that the annual operating costs, to include travel costs and meeting and contract support, is approximately \$600,000.00. The estimated annual DoD personnel costs are 4.5 full-time equivalents (FTE).
8. Designated Federal Officer: The Designated Federal Officer, pursuant to DoD policy, shall be a full-time or permanent part-time DoD employee, and shall be appointed in accordance with governing DoD policies and procedures.

In addition, the Designated Federal Officer is required to be in attendance at all Group and subcommittee meetings for the entire duration of each and every meeting; however, in the absence of the Designated Federal Officer, a properly approved Alternate Designated Federal Officer shall attend the entire duration of the Group or subcommittee meeting.

The Designated Federal Officer, or the Alternate Designated Federal Officer, shall call all of the Group's and subcommittees' meetings; prepare and approve all meeting agendas; adjourn any meeting when the Designated Federal Officer, or the Alternate Designated Federal Officer, determines adjournment to be in the public interest or required by governing regulations or DoD policies/procedures; and chair meetings when directed to do so by the official to whom the Group reports.

9. Estimated Number and Frequency of Meetings: The Group shall meet at the call of the Group's Designated Federal Officer, in consultation with the Chairperson. The estimated number of Group meetings is two per year.
10. Duration: The need for this advisory function is on a continuing basis; however, it is subject to renewal every two years.
11. Termination: The Group shall terminate upon completion of its mission or two years from the date this charter is filed, whichever is sooner, unless the Secretary of Defense extends it.
12. Membership and Designation: The Group shall be composed of not more than 50 members who are eminent authorities in the fields of strategic policy formulation, nuclear weapon design and national command, control, communications, intelligence and information operations, or other important aspects of the Nation's strategic forces.

Group members shall be appointed by the Secretary of Defense for four year terms of service, and no member, unless authorized by the Secretary of Defense may serve more than two consecutive terms of service. All members require annual renewal by the Secretary of Defense. This same term of service limitation also applies to any DoD authorized subcommittees.

Group members appointed by the Secretary of Defense, who are not full-time or permanent part-time federal officers or employees, shall be appointed under the authority of 5 U.S.C. § 3109, and serve as special government employees. In addition, all Group members, with the exception of travel and per diem for official travel, shall serve without compensation.

The Commander of the U.S. Strategic Command shall select the Group's chairperson from the total membership. In addition, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff or designated representative may invite other distinguished Government officers to serve as non-voting observers of the Group, and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

may appoint consultants, with special expertise to assist the Group on an ad hoc basis. These consultants, if not full-time or part time government employees, shall be appointed under the authority of 5 U.S.C. § 3109, shall serve as special government employees, shall be appointed on an intermittent basis to work specific Group-related efforts, shall have no voting rights whatsoever on the Group or any of its subcommittees, and shall not count toward the Group's total membership.

13. Subcommittees: The Department, when necessary, and consistent with the Group's mission and DoD policies and procedures, may establish subcommittees to support the Group. Establishment of subcommittees will be based upon a written determination, to include terms of reference, by the Secretary of Defense, the Deputy Secretary of Defense, or the Group's sponsor.

Such subcommittees shall not work independently of the chartered Group, and shall report all their recommendations and advice to the Board for full deliberation and discussion. Subcommittees have no authority to make decisions on behalf of the chartered Group; nor can any subcommittee or its members update or report directly to the Department of Defense or any Federal officers or employees.

All subcommittee members shall be appointed in the same manner as the Group members; that is, the Secretary of Defense shall appoint subcommittee members for four year terms of service with annual renewals, even if the member in question is already a Group member.

Subcommittee members, if not full-time or part-time government employees, shall be appointed to serve as experts and consultants under the authority of 5 U.S.C. § 3109, and shall serve as special government employees, whose appointments must be renewed by the Secretary of Defense on an annual basis. With the exception of travel and per diem for official Group related travel, subcommittee members shall serve without compensation.

All subcommittees operate under the provisions of FACA, the Government in the Sunshine Act, governing Federal statutes and regulations, and governing DoD policies/procedures.

14. Recordkeeping: The records of the Group and its subcommittees shall be handled according to section 2, General Record Schedule 26 and governing DoD policies and procedures. These records shall be available for public inspection and copying, subject to the Freedom of Information Act of 1966 (5 U.S.C. § 552).

15. Filing Date: May 31, 2012